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Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 5, 2005, applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and the remarks below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

Conclusion is on page 13 of this paper.